

III. REMARKS

1. Claims 1-4, 6, and 9-29 remain in the application. Claims 5, 7, and 8 have been cancelled without prejudice. Claims 1-4, 6, 9-13, 18, 26, and 27 have been amended. Claim 30 is new.

2. Claims 1-12 have been amended to overcome the informalities objection.

3. Claims 1-4, 11-13, 18, 26, and 27 have been amended to overcome the 35 USC 112, second paragraph rejection by eliminating the phrase "and/or."

4. Claims 1, 2, 6, 9-13, 16-18, 20, and 22-29 are not anticipated by Komiyama (US 6,690,955) under 35 USC 102(e).

Komiyama fails to disclose or suggest transferring or activating data compiled from vibration effects memory, flash patterns memory or graphic objects memory for producing a second effect for stimulating a visual or tactile sense by the same established connection, as recited by claims 1 and 13.

Komiyama describes how, upon receiving a call in a communications device, digits (representing the phone number of the calling party) can be shown on a display of the device and lighting of the device can be controlled so as to identify the caller. Instead of always investigating the numeric data on the display, the user of the device may identify the caller solely based on the lighting "effect".

Thus the solution described by Komiyama differs from the present claims where the effects are transferred AFTER the connection establishment phase; and the effects of the current claims are not used to identify the caller so that the receiving party could actually reject the call prior to answering it (i.e. prior to actually establishing the connection. This was cited as the prior art problem to be solved by the cited publication (nevertheless, such "ringing"/caller identification phase is indeed signalling that takes place before true connection establishment). The current claims are targeted to vivifying

the already ongoing communication, which should be clear on the basis of the pending claims and description.

In addition, Komiyama is also distinguished from the current claims because Komiyama fails to disclose or suggest that the second effect is further specified to comprise at least a lighting effect or a vibration effect that is transferred or activated by the connection already established and already used for transferring the first effect that is either auditory or visual.

At least for these reasons, Komiyama fails to anticipate claims 1, 2, 6, 9-13, 16-18, 20, and 22-29.

5. Claims 3, 4, 19, and 21 are patentable over the combination of Komiyama and Terada (US 6,429,366) under 35 USC 103(a).

Claims 3, 4, 19, and 21 depend from claims 1 or 13.

Terada fails to disclose or suggest the features of claims 1 and 13 missing from Komiyama argued above. Therefore, the combination of Komiyama and Terada fails to render claims 3, 4, 19, and 21 unpatentable.

6. Claims 14 and 15 are patentable over the combination of Komiyama and Uriya (US 6,429,366) under 35 USC 103(a).

Claims 14 and 15 depend from claim 13.

Uriya fails to disclose or suggest the features of claim 13 missing from Komiyama argued above. Therefore, the combination of Komiyama and Uriya fails to render claims 14 and 15 unpatentable.

Applicants note that none of the cited references or combination of the cited references discloses or suggests the arrangement of the current claims for enriching an ongoing real-time connection by transferring or activating, by and during the connection and after its establishment phase, different vibration/lighting effects and optional supplementary graphics effects in relation to the receiving terminal such that they are still produced in

the receiving terminal during the connection (the core of the current claims does not relate to connection establishment and identification of the caller etc.).

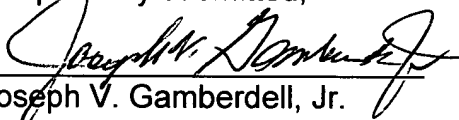
New claim 30 depends from claim 6 and describes a graphics effect as comprising an animation or an image. None of the cited references alone or in combination disclose or suggest the combination of claims 1, 6, and 30.

For all of the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully submitted that all of the claims now present in the application are clearly novel and patentable over the prior art of record, and are in proper form for allowance. Accordingly, favorable reconsideration and allowance is respectfully requested. Should any unresolved issues remain, the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' attorney at the telephone number indicated below.

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